

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Icelandic State Park's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Icelandic State Park's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is being celebrated July 19-20. Take in all of the festivity by visiting Icelandic State Park and the Pioneer Heritage Center Complex.

To kick off the weekend's events, Popejoy and Strand Jazz Duo will perform on Saturday at 8 p.m. on the beach of Lake Renwick. On Sunday, there is a day of fun events planned at the Pioneer Heritage Center Complex. There is Folk Art Painting at 11 a.m. At 2 p.m., there is a chance to taste some delicious homemade ice cream outside the Log Cabin. A 3 p.m. historic presentation by Scott Kudelka (former park ranger) occurs in the Akra Hall. Refreshments and sheep shearing will follow. End the night with a free picnic and tour of Renwick Dam.

In addition to all of these events, there will be pioneer machinery equipment on display along with G.B. Gunlogson's Case Car! Make sure to visit the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary exhibit inside the Pioneer Heritage Center to learn more about the park's history. All historic buildings will be open for viewing and visitation.

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration coincides with Icelandic State Park's Visitor Appreciation Day, so vehicle entry fees are waived. Icelandic State Park's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is held at Icelandic State Park on Saturday and within the Pioneer Heritage Center Complex on Sunday. Icelandic State Park is located 5 ½ miles west of Cavalier, ND on State Highway 5. To attend the events at the Heritage Center Complex, drive into the main park entrance. Do not follow the construction detour signs.

For more information, contact Char Binstock at (701) 265-4561. Information on Icelandic State Park can be found online at [www.parkrec.nd.gov](http://www.parkrec.nd.gov).